

WISCONSIN WILDCARDS

ALIEN INVADERS

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GARLIC MUSTARD

Alliaria petiolata

BASIC ID This cool-season, biennial herb grows 12"- 40" tall, has triangular shaped leaves with toothed edges and smells of garlic when crushed. It has clusters of small flowers with 4 petals. First year plants are low rosettes with rounded leaves.

HISTORY An invasive European species, it prefers forested areas. Rapidly spread by seed, it is a serious problem in forests in eastern and southern WI and is spreading elsewhere.

MANAGEMENT

- Hand pull before flowering or pull and bag up when flowering
- Apply herbicides in early spring or late fall
- Prevent any plants from going to seed

FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/er/invasive/

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